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When Sid set off for school one day,



a happy feeling came his way.





It filled him up so  
much he found



his paws just lifted  
off the ground.



Without a how,  
without a why,



Sid fell up  
towards the sky.





Through swirling puffs of cloud he twirled  
above a tiny toy-town world,



in the land  
of sun and moon,



like a doggy-shaped  
balloon.





At school Sid asked his best friend Ben,  
"Did you see me fly just then?"



"Don't be daft," came Ben's reply.  
"You're a dog, and *dogs* don't fly."



"But *I* did," said Sid.  
"*I* did ... *I* did."





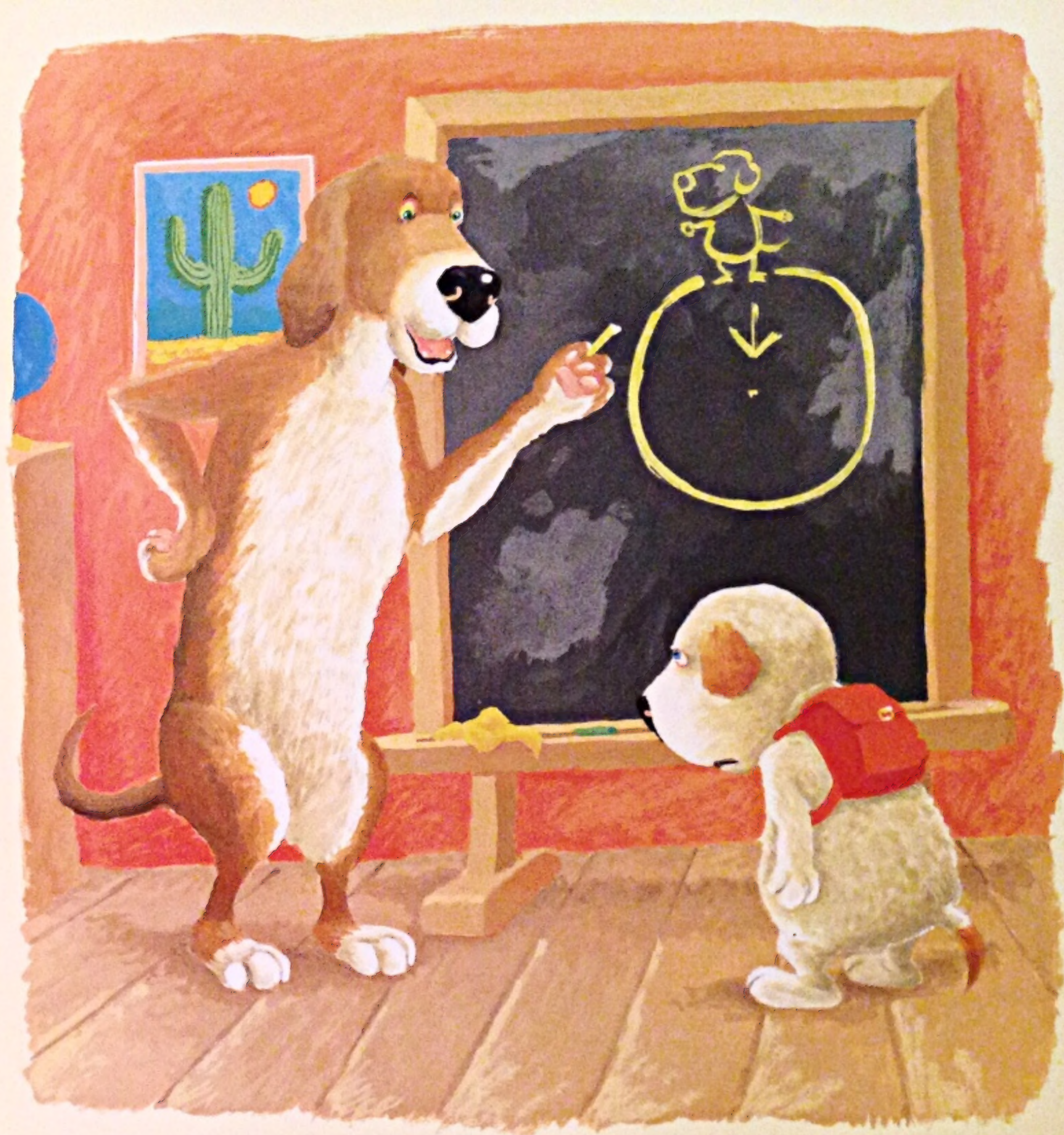
In the classroom  
Sid said, "Hey! Guess what!  
I flew to school today!"

His classmates giggled, yelped and yowled.  
"Dogs don't fly to school!" they howled.  
"But I did," said Sid. "I did."





Miss Mare the teacher shook her head.  
“Now Sid, you shouldn’t lie,” she said.



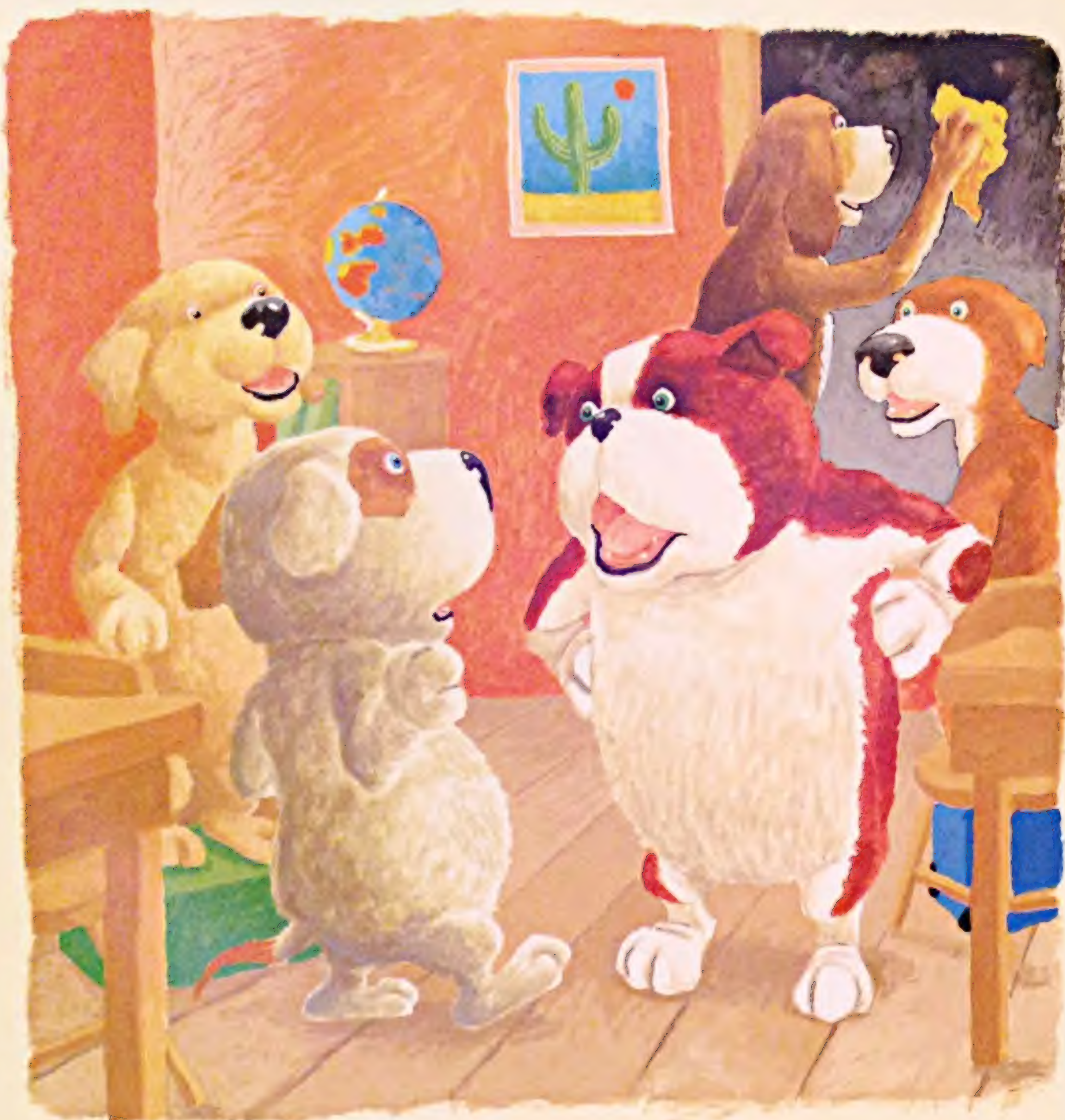
“All dogs walk and jump and run,  
but *dogs don’t fly* – it can’t be done.”





*"But I did," said Sid.*





Gus said, "Right! If you can fly,  
come outside ... let's see you try!"



Sid's happiness had gone by then.  
He tried to get it back again.





He thought about



the clouds up high



and then he jumped towards the sky.





"You see, you're just a dog," said Gus,  
"with paws for walking just like us."



That will teach you not to lie.  
Now you know that *dogs don't fly.*"





When Sid walked home from school that day,

it seemed a long and lonely way.





And once at home with Mum and Dad,  
deep inside he still felt bad.



He did the things he always did,  
but something wasn't right with Sid.





His dad came out and asked, "What's up?  
You seem unhappy, little pup."

Sid sat staring at the sky,  
and all he said was, "Dogs don't fly."





Sid's dad slowly raised his head.  
"I know a secret, Sid," he said.  
"Could you keep it safe inside?"



"What's the secret?"  
Sid replied.



He turned around  
and then ...  
he knew...





Now you know

the secret too!





Sid's happy eyes were open wide.

"I knew it ... DOGS DO FLY!" he cried.





Sid's dad said, "Come, fly then, Sid,"

and that's exactly what Sid did.





Do dogs fly? Is it true?





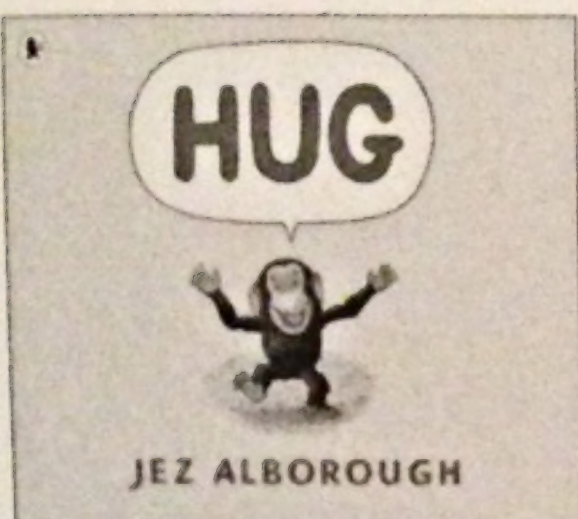


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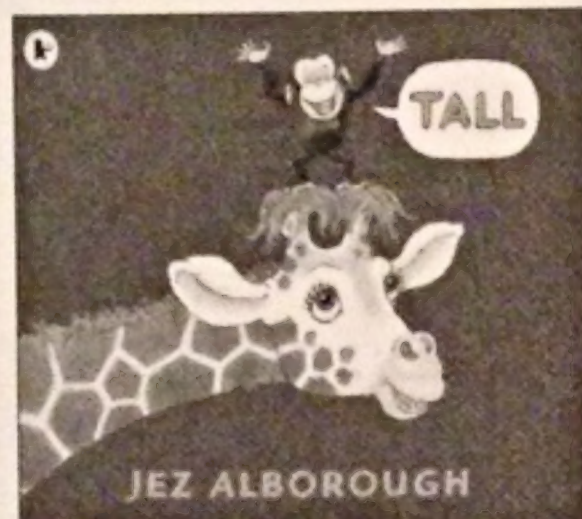


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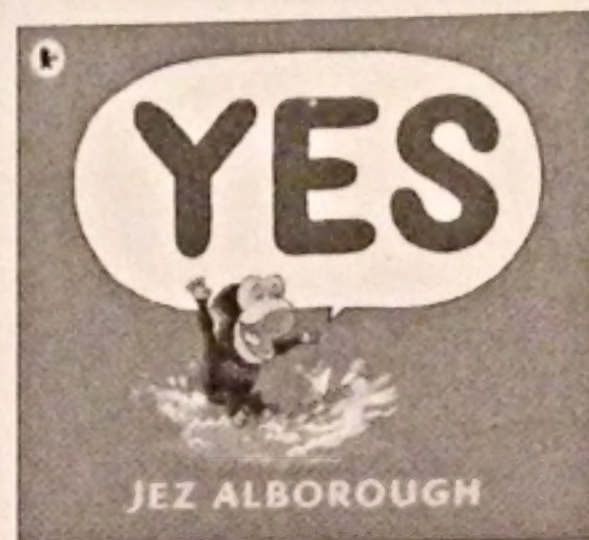
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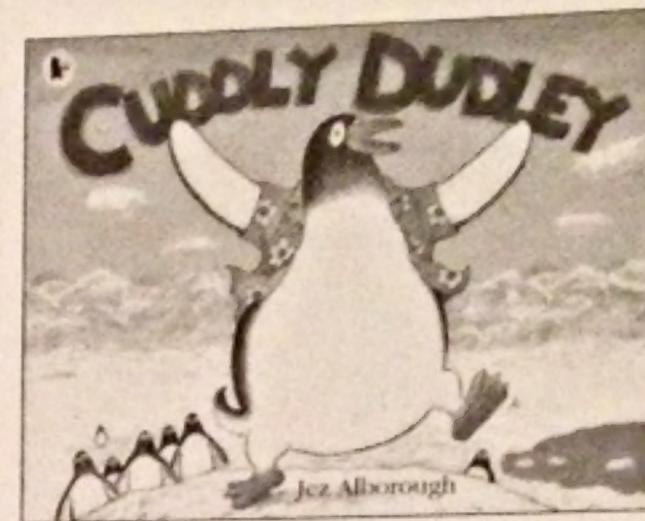
Bobo is a little chimp in a jungle. All his animal friends have someone to hug except him – poor Bobo. Will this lonely little chimp ever get the hug he needs?



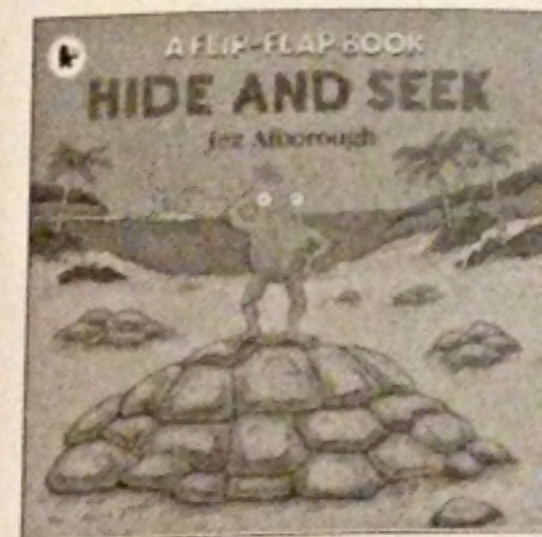
Bobo wants to be tall. Everyone around him seems to be taller than him. But Bobo's friends help him see that the size you are is the size you are meant to be...



At Bobo's bath time the little chimp shouts "YES". But at bedtime he cries "NO". It takes two friends and a lot of splashing to turn his "NO" into a "YES".



Dudley is so lovely and cuddly that his brothers and sisters won't leave him alone. They just can't resist having a huddle and a waddle and a cuddle with him. But Dudley just wants to be left alone!



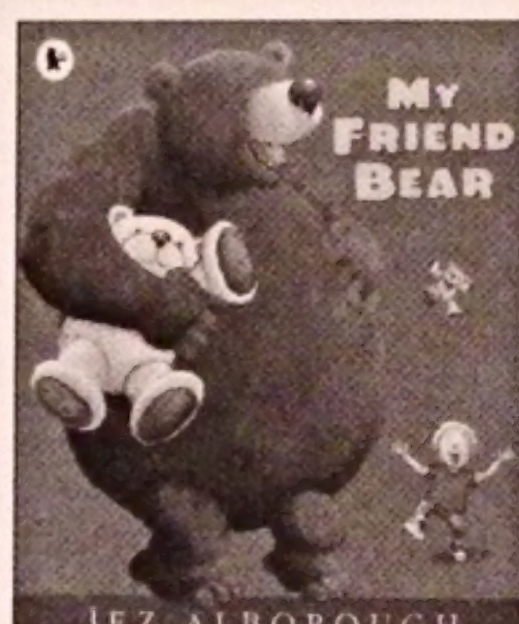
Frog is playing a game of hide-and-seek with his friends. But they are very difficult to find. Can you help Frog? Flip the flaps for some fun surprises!



Eddy doesn't want to go to the woods for a picnic with mum. He's scared that the huge hungry bear who lives there will make a picnic out of him!



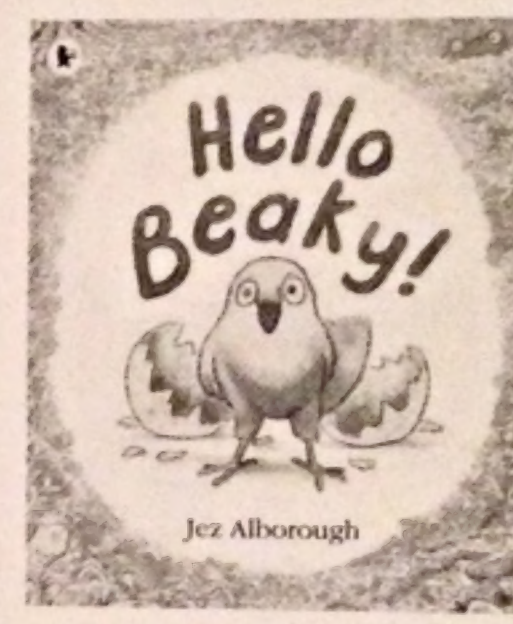
Eddy's lost his teddy, Freddy. So off he goes to the wood to find him. But the wood is dark and horrible and little Eddy is in for a gigantic surprise!



Eddy's feeling sad and so is the bear. They both wish they had a friend to talk to. All they've got are their teddies, and teddies can't talk. Or can they?



Everyone is scared of Big Bro – the mouse, frog, parrot, chimp, even the elephant. Big Bro is rough, he's tough, and he's big. But how big is he really?



An egg falls from a tree and shatters into pieces on the ground. Out pops Beaky, a creature with a bright blue beak, furry flaps and a curly orange tail. But what is he?



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